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White Cap Honorees: Linda Parsons, Jean Stratford and Evie Haim

by Carol Griffin

Sea Cliff Civic Association bestowed three White Cap Awards on June 9 to three very deserving recipients. President Ann DiPietro welcomed everyone to the awards ceremony and thanked White Cap Chairman Laurie Martone and her committee for this year's selection of honorees. Before turning the evening over to the presenters Ann DiPietro said, "It is with a heavy heart that I could not include a dear friend of all of us who served as secretary to the SCCA for over 10 years. Evie Haim, served with grace, intelligence and unbounding energy. We miss her very much."

Linda Parsons

John Nagy, a White Cap winner himself, introduced the first honoree, saying the following: "The person who is about to receive the White Cap Award has given years of service to the community, both past and present. Her endeavors have touched all aspects of Village life. She is currently corresponding secretary for the Good of the Village Association and formerly its vice president. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Mutual Concerns Committee, and a volunteer for Mutual Concerns' lunch program. At St. Luke's Episcopal Church she is a member of the Altar Guild and serves as a Lay Reader. In the past she has been a member of the Vestry, the governing body of the church."

Our recipient was an Emergency Medical Technician with the Sea Cliff Fire Department's Ambulance Corps for five years, helping the sick and in many cases saving lives. Her prior en-

deavors extended into education and child-care areas. She was a Den Mother for the Cub Scouts, a Girl Scout leader, President of the Parent Teachers Association at Sea Cliff School, and taught Sunday School at St. Luke's.

Her record of service to our community is truly outstanding. The foregoing list of accomplishments speaks for itself. It is with great pleasure that I name Linda Parsons to be a recipient of the 2011 White Cap Award."

Jean Stratford

The next presenter was Carol Hartney, also a previous White Cap recipient. Carol said, "The recipient of one of tonight's White Cap Awards is more than worthy. She, along with her husband, raised five children in Sea Cliff. She was very active as a volunteer in the St. Boniface Mother's Club. As the children grew older, she was employed at the Sea Cliff Elementary School, which is where I met her. She then moved on to work in the Locust Valley Schools, from which she retired. She is very active in St. Boniface Church. This gal gives many hours volunteering for Mutual Concerns and is the Chairman of the Senior Action Committee where she works tirelessly to provide bus service for shopping, drivers to take seniors to doctor appointments and friendly visits to those in need. She organizes and chairs the yearly Senior Action Picnic. It is my extreme pleasure to present Jean Stratford with this award."

Evie Haim

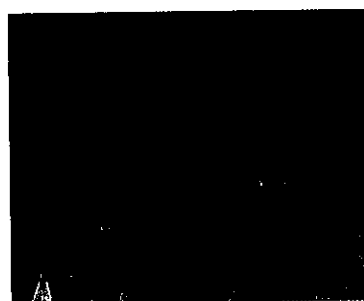
The last presenter was Naomi Curtis a long time friend and colleague of Evie Haim in the Village

Landmarks Preservation Committee. Evie passed away just last week on June 5, after a long battle with leukemia, surviving 193 days in Sloan Kettering Hospital after a bone marrow transplant.

Naomi Curtis said, "I feel so honored to have been asked to be presenter of the White Cap Award to Eve Esther Haim, our Evie. I know we are deeply saddened by her loss as she passed away in her sleep early Sunday morning. However, last Friday Bob was able to tell Evie that she was about to receive the White Cap Award and it made her both very happy and proud. In fact, it was planned that she would see and in some way participate in the presentation via SKYPE. Sadly, it was not meant to be."

Naomi then reiterated some of the stories that Bob and Evie's

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Jean Stratford is given a White Cap award by Carol Hartney

Photo by Carol Griffin



John Nagy presents Linda Parsons with a White Cap Award.

Photo by Carol Griffin



Ann DiPietro and Naomi Curtis with Bob Haim as he accepts a White Cap Award for wife Evie.

Photo by Carol Griffin

Antique Show

The Good of the Village Association will host its 6th Annual Antique Show and Sale on Saturday, September 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Boniface field on Sea Cliff Avenue (Please note the location change from prior shows). Admission is \$5 per person, two for \$4 each with ad, and children under 12 are admitted for free. NO RAINDATE.

Many vendors will be selling a variety of antiques including, furniture, jewelry, silver, beaded purses, alligator bags, vintage clothing, and garden antiques. Some vendor space is still available. If interested, please call Sheila Wenger at 671-8399.

Mayor's Update



Bruce Kennedy

It has been a great summer in Sea Cliff. The arts community has

kept us entertained with plays, exhibits, and endless concerts. The beach has had a great season, the dolphins came back to visit us and clambers are enjoying shell fishing in the harbor for the first time in 40 years. The final plans for an Arts Gazebo at Sea Cliff Beach are just about complete and will go out to bid in September; we plan on construction beginning as soon as the beach officially closes.

The Board and I have been very busy for the past several months tending to Village business. We are going through our annual fis-

cal audit and we are in excellent shape. For the first time in history Sea Cliff has the same Standard & Poors rating as the Federal Government. We have begun work in the re-codification of our code book. The last codification occurred in the early 80's by Mayor Deegan.

In an effort to address quality of life nuisances, we have drastically increased hours of our own code enforcement, created a way to report disturbances during off-hours, and re-doubled our efforts with

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Let's All Plan Together



Karen Montagnese

Photo by Barbara Murray

A common concern of baby boomers and seniors is how to plan ahead to maintain quality of life. A word that often comes up in the discussion is independence. Merriam-Webster dictionary defines independent

as "not subject to control by others: self-governing". This definition conjures up thoughts of freedom and self-determination, both highly valued rights for all humans, young and old. Fortunately the aging population is growing and more resolute than ever to direct their own futures, making choices that reflect their own independent needs.

Motivated by nearly 78 million baby boomers, a new trend is emerging. A burgeoning interest in senior lifestyles is driving new markets. Cities are planning for the growing population, providing more access for and support to the senior community. USA Today writes "To envision how this silver

tsunami will challenge a youth-oriented society, just consider that seniors soon will outnumber schoolchildren in hip, fast-paced New York City. It will take some creative steps to make New York and other cities age-friendly enough to help the coming crush of older adults stay active and independent in their own homes."

Sea Cliff is embracing our senior community with accessible programs and aging-at-home support. We are poised to be a leader in the field, by setting a working example of an age-friendly village. Our community planning has included benches along our promenades, transportation via our Village bus and our Senior Action Com-

mittee; lunch, social and exercise programs by Mutual Concerns; local stores who happily deliver; Village organizations offering opportunities for membership; and of course, our library with its ongoing calendar of diverse events. We will continue to expand on our plan making our age-friendly Village a wonderful place for everyone to live.

Our programs and services give seniors many options in pursuing independent lifestyles within our community. However, it is equally as important to plan ahead for your own individual needs. Your personal long term plan should involve your self-prescribed wishes about health care and assis-

tance. To this end it is important to consider financial planning, a health care proxy, living will and advanced directives.

On Tuesday September 20th at the senior lunch program, Mutual Concerns and Sea Cliff Senior Outreach will host eldercare attorney Robin Maynard. Robin is a resident of Sea Cliff and an expert in these age related issues. She will begin her presentation at 11:30 a.m. and there will be time for questions.

For more information please contact Karen Montagnese, Senior Outreach Worker, Sea Cliff Village Hall 671-0080 x 20

SEA CLIFF BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Is Sponsoring a

LUNCHEON AT BAILEY'S ARBORETUM

on

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

GATES OPEN AT 11:00 A.M.,

LUNCHEON AT 12:00 NOON

Redecorated house and expanded gardens
with live wildlife exhibits

Wear walking /comfortable shoes – self guided tours

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671-1253 x 108

Sea Cliff Seniors

Sea Cliff Senior Action Committee is reorganizing our driving to and from doctors program. If you need a ride to a doctor's office or the hospital, please call Jean at 671-2437. Please try to give us two or three days notice for your

ride, which will be round trip and no cost to you.

We also need volunteer drivers to drive our seniors. If you can drive to medical appointments once a month or so, please call.

*White Cap Winners
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children and siblings told about Evie that reflected on her as bright, wise, fun-loving, generous, and hard working. Family, friends, and especially children experienced her genuinely loving nature.

Naomi shared that Evie published a newsletter on line, *The Tattler*, informing residents about Sea Cliff news and helping people sell or swap all sorts of items. Evie was the former President of the PTA and the Sea Cliff Landmarks Association, a member of SC Beautification Committee and, a board member of the SC Civic Association. She wrote walking tour pamphlets of Sea Cliff now sold in the museum, wrote four books on Sea Cliff historic buildings, and made a video with Julia Brown highlighting Sea Cliff's historic downtown business district. She donated all the proceeds to the Sea Cliff Landmarks Association and the Sea Cliff Museum. She was a very important member of the Sea Cliff Landmarks Preservation Commission.

In closing, Naomi Curtis also read what she said at Evie's funeral. "I was Evie's friend and preservation colleague for many years. We got to know each other back when we both ended up on the then newly revamped Sea Cliff Landmarks Preservation Commission. I am the chair and Evie was secretary to the commission, but more importantly, not only was she my 'my right hand man' so to speak, but she was the backbone and most frequent supporter of the preservation we endeavored to perform. With the loss of Evie, we now have a huge hole not only in our hearts but in the commission also. She will always be with us, both as an inspiration and as the most courageous preservationist we could ever have hoped to have in Sea Cliff."

Sea Cliff Honors Past and Present Mayors

This year at the Memorial Day ceremonies, Sea Cliff Village honored its former mayors, and Former Sea Cliff Trustee and Administrator Dan Maddock gave the following tribute:

"Incorporated Villages rely on their residents to come forward and govern them. These residents are not professional politicians; they devote countless hours to the job, sacrificing professional and family time. They only receive a small stipend, so they basically work for free. Yet for 128 years, quality people have been coming forward to serve the Village. We have five of them here for the Memorial Day observance.

Francis Deegan followed Ivan Pouschine as mayor, serving between 1970 and 1983. After two terms, Francis returned to legal practice in the community. Today Francis is retired and lives in Southold with his wife Nancy. However, they have left behind many children to populate Sea Cliff.

Village Trustee Norman Parsons followed Francis as mayor and served for eight years, while holding the position of Vice President of the College Testing Service in New York City. Norm still lives in Sea Cliff with his wife Linda, as do his two daughters and their families.

After service on the Beach Committee and the Village Board

Committee, Ted Blackburn succeeded Norm as mayor and served between 1991 and 1999. Ted was up every morning at the crack of dawn for a jog before boarding the LIRR to Manhattan where he was a VP, and bond trader on Wall Street. Ted splits his time now between Vermont and Key West, Florida with his wife Sara, and is currently an elected member of the Key West City Council. Ted was unable to attend today's remembrance but sends his regards.

We wish Ted and Sara well.

After serving on the Board of Trustees for eight years, Claudia Moyne succeeded Ted and served two terms as Sea Cliff's first woman mayor. Claudia did this while teaching Social Studies at Wheately High School. Claudia is recently retired and lives in Sea Cliff with her husband John.

Following three years as a Village Trustee, Eileen Krieb served as mayor of Sea Cliff between 2003 and 2009, while working as a Deputy Commissioner for Nassau County and as a Financial Director for St. Boniface Church. Eileen is still working in those former capacities and still lives in Sea Cliff with her husband Larry.

Now our last living Mayor is our current one Bruce Kennedy. Bruce succeeded Eileen in 2009 and some people say he likes the job so much, he'll run forever."



Past and present Sea Cliff Mayors, (l-r) Francis Deegan, Norman Parsons, Claudia Moyne, Eileen Krieb and Bruce Kennedy.

Photo by Carol Griffin

The Eyes of Sea Cliff

One of the reasons Sea Cliff is such a great place in which to live is that many residents help keep our Village clean and beautiful. We have many volunteer organizations that help and perhaps you, without being part of a particular committee or group, can also assist our Village.

Although the Village staff tries to keep things in proper condition at all times, there may be occasions where you, as a resident,

may observe something that requires attention. It could be a simple thing such as a missing, faded or damaged street sign or a sign obstructed by trees or bushes. It could be a pothole or Village trees that need to be trimmed or a damaged bench at a park or at the beach.

You could help by being the "eyes" of the Village by reporting these matters. Email the Village at villagesc@aol.com

9-11 Commemoration

The Village will take note of the tenth anniversary of the tragic events in Lower Manhattan on Sunday evening, September 11 at 7 p.m.

The ceremony will take place

at the Village clock in front of the Children's Library on Sea Cliff Avenue. Following a brief introduction, a moment of silence and the playing of Taps, Mayor Kennedy will make remarks appropriate to the occasion. The ceremony will close with the singing of God Bless America.

All residents are invited to attend.

Make Friends With Your Cesspool!

by Eric Swenson, Executive Director of the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee

OK.....maybe the title is a little far-fetched but seriously, how else could I get you to read an article about septic system maintenance? I'll try to make this fun to read and interesting but trust me, it really is important so please read on. You may even decide that your cesspool is a friend!

You may not realize it, but with cooking, clothes washing, showering, gardening, swimming in pools or hot tubs, each of us uses on average over 100 gallons of water a day and it all has to go somewhere. In areas without sewers, all of this wastewater needs to go into cesspools or septic systems. From there it goes into the ground and ultimately into the groundwater. In Sea Cliff, the groundwater ends up in Hempstead Harbor so your wastewater will eventually make its way to the harbor. Multiply that by thousands of homes and you can see the cause for concern.

If properly designed, constructed and maintained, your septic system can provide effective and safe treatment of household wastewater for decades. However, if not maintained, you could incur thousands of dollars in costs, cause environmental problems, incur legal liability, and cause great inconvenience and odors for yourself and your neighbors.

Typical pollutants in household wastewater are nitrogen, phosphorus, and disease-causing bacteria and viruses. A malfunctioning system can cause pathogens to enter Hempstead Harbor and cause beach closures and/or shellfish closures. A poorly maintained system also increases the chance of swimmers contracting a variety of infectious diseases. These range from eye and ear infections to acute gastrointestinal illness and diseases like hepatitis.

While water quality in the outer part of Hempstead Harbor has improved so much that the DEC has recently re-opened it to shellfish harvesting after more than 40 years, the middle and lower portions of the harbor still have elevated bacteria levels that require those areas to be closed to shellfishing at this point. While there are many sources of this bacteria including pet waste and wildlife, the fact that the Sea Cliff area has many aging septic systems leads us to believe that malfunctioning systems may well be contributing to these bacteria levels. You can thus play an important role in restoring the rest of the harbor. Here is what you need to know and do:

Know how it works: It helps to think of your septic system as a machine – like your car. Imagine buying a car and then never checking the fluids or servicing it? Before long it would start to run poorly. Ultimately you would need to replace the car long before you normally would have had you maintained it all along. It is the exact same thing with septic systems. They are, in effect, underground machines with little microbes digesting the solids in your wastewater. You need to keep that little colony of micro-

organisms thriving so that they can do their job. In essence, and in reality, you have billions or trillions of little servants quietly working for you underground to safely process all that wastewater that you generate. You need them as much as they need you. They are your friends.

Inspect and pump: by the time you can smell or see a septic system problem, it might be too late and the damage might already be done. Therefore, experts recommend that you have your system inspected at least every 3 years by a professional and your tank or cesspool pumped as recommended by the inspector (generally every 3 to 5 years).

Alternative systems with electrical float switches, pumps, or mechanical components need to be inspected more often, generally once a year. Your service provider should inspect for leaks and look at the scum and sludge layers in your septic tank. If the bottom of the scum layer is within 6 inches of the bottom of the outlet tee or the top of the sludge layer is within 12 inches of the outlet tee, your tank needs to be pumped. Remember to note the sludge and scum levels determined by your service provider in your operation and maintenance records. This information will help you decide how often pumping is necessary.

Four major factors influence the frequency of pumping: the number of people in your household, the amount of wastewater generated (based on the number of people in the household and the amount of water used), the volume of solids in the wastewater, and septic tank size.

Some makers of septic tank additives claim that their products break down the sludge in septic tanks so the tanks never need to be pumped. Not everyone agrees on the effectiveness of these additives. In fact, septic tanks already contain the microbes they need for effective treatment. Periodic pumping is a much better way to ensure that septic systems work properly and provide many years of service. Regardless, every septic tank requires periodic pumping. In the service report, the pumper should note any repairs completed and whether the tank is in good condition. If the pumper recommends additional repairs he or she can't perform, hire someone to make the repairs as soon as possible.

Use water efficiently: by limiting your water use, you can reduce the amount of wastewater your system must treat, thus improving its efficiency and reducing the risk of failure.

Leaky toilets can waste as much as 200 gallons each day. Toilet use accounts for 25 to 30 percent of household water use. Do you know how many gallons of water your toilet uses to empty the bowl? Most older homes have toilets with 3.5- to 5-gallon reservoirs, while newer high-efficiency toilets use 1.6 gallons of water or less per flush. If you have problems with your septic system being flooded with household water, consider reducing the volume of water in the toilet tank if you don't have

a high-efficiency model or replacing your existing toilets with high-efficiency models.

Faucet aerators help reduce water use and the volume of water entering your septic system. High-efficiency showerheads or shower flow restrictors also reduce water use.

Check to make sure your toilet's reservoir isn't leaking into the bowl. Add five drops of liquid food coloring to the reservoir before bed. If the dye is in the bowl the next morning, the reservoir is leaking and repairs are needed. A small drip from a faucet adds many gallons of unnecessary water to your system every day. To see how much a leak adds to your water usage, place a cup under the drip for 10 minutes. Multiply the amount of water in the cup by 144 (the number of minutes in 24 hours, divided by 10).

This is the total amount of clean water traveling to your septic system each day from that little leak.

Watch what you pour: what goes down the drain can have a major impact on how well your septic system works. What shouldn't you flush down your toilet? Dental floss, feminine hygiene products, condoms, diapers, cotton swabs, cigarette butts, coffee grounds, cat litter, paper towels, and other kitchen and bathroom items that can clog and potentially damage septic system components if they become trapped. Flushing household chemicals, gasoline, oil, pesticides, antifreeze, and paint can stress or destroy the biological treatment taking place in the system or might contaminate surface waters and groundwater. If your septic tank pumper is concerned about quickly accumulating scum layers, reduce the flow of floatable materials like fats, oils, and grease into your tank or be prepared to pay for more frequent inspections and pumping.

Washing your clothes: by selecting the proper load size, you'll reduce water waste.

Washing small loads of laundry on the large-load cycle wastes precious water and energy.

If you can't select load size, run only full loads of laundry. Doing all the household laundry in one day might seem like a time-saver, but it could be harmful to your septic system. Doing load after load does not allow your septic tank time to adequately treat wastes. You could be flooding your drainfield without allowing sufficient recovery time. Try to spread water usage throughout the week. A new Energy Star-rated washer uses 35 percent less energy and 50 percent less water than a standard model. These are mostly the front-loading washers.

Protect your cesspool or septic tank: plant only grass over and near your septic system.

Roots from nearby trees or shrubs might clog and damage the system. Don't drive or park vehicles on any part of your septic system. Doing so can compact the soil in your drainfield or

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Hook & Ladder Company Wins All at Inspection

by Carol Griffin

Sea Cliff Hook & Ladder Company shone again this year, walking away with all three department awards at this year's inspection on June 11. Chief Andrew Davies opened the ceremony welcoming everyone, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Invocation led by John Hesse. The members of the North Riding Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented a 9/11 memorial flag to the department.

DAR members, Karen Griffin Galvin, Kyra Emmerich and Linda Griffin Emmerich (not present) made the presentation. They explained that the DAR is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service group dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children. The Griffin family has revolutionary ancestors, which allows them to be part of this group.

To promote patriotism, the Griffin family donated the "We Remember 9/11" flag to the Sea Cliff Fire Department. It will fly to show support of all those who protect us, firefighters, police officers and service men and women. The formality of displaying a flag is a means to say, "We Care."

The women said they chose the Sea Cliff Fire Department

because of the strong connection that their family has to the department. With their father Warren Griffin, a long time member, as well as their brother, Brian Griffin, also a member, they felt it appropriate to make the donation.

"It is with great honor on behalf of the North Riding Chapter of the DAR, we present this flag to the Sea Cliff Fire Department," they said in conclusion.

The Charles E. Theurer plaque contributed each year by the Theurer family in memory of Charles Theurer, who was instrumental in the formation of the ambulance unit, was presented by Theurer's grandson Ted Kopczynski to James Ajamian for his exemplary contribution to the Fire Medic Unit.

Sea Cliff Hook & Ladder Company came in first for all the annual awards with Captain Jon Bunce proudly coming up to receive the company's trophies. The competition between the companies was as follows: Best Appearing Company was the Hook & Ladder Company. Highest percentage of participation for the year also went to them, as well as percentage of men in line. Participation pins will be given out at a later date to all fire personnel with a record of 75 percent for all activities during 2010.



Jon Bunce Captain of the Hook & Ladder Co. receives the third trophy won by his company.
Photo by Carol Griffin



James Ajamian is presented with the Charles E. Theurer Award by Theurer's grandson Ted Kopczynski.
Photo by Carol Griffin



(l-r) Kyra Emmerich and Karen Griffin Galvin hold up the DAR "We Remember 9/11" flag.
Photo by Carol Griffin

Mini Mart

On Sunday, October 2 Sea Cliff will hold its annual Mini Mart. The North Shore Kiwanis Club will organize the popular arts and crafts fair.

The fair was originally instituted to help business owners in Sea Cliff and is one of the more widely known street fairs on Long Island.

There will be free parking at Tappen Beach with shuttle buses that will run every 10 minutes between Tappen Beach and the Village until about 6 p.m.

Recycling Review for January to July 2011

by John Mirando, Village Administrator/Director of Public Works

From January to July 2011 the Department of Public Works has picked up 2,141 tons of municipal solid waste (MSW) including recycled material. Recycled material consisted of 150 tons of commingled glass and cans and 111 tons of newspaper and cardboard, resulting in 261 tons of recycled material. This equates to 12% of the Village's waste stream. There is room for improvement, especially newspapers and cardboard.

Newspapers and magazines are easily bundled and left for recycling pickup, but there is much more cardboard lurking in the regular garbage that can be recycled. Some examples are cereal boxes, cake mix boxes

and any other food storage boxes that come with an inside storage liner; pizza boxes if they are wiped clean; the cardboard portion of clothes hangers that come from the dry cleaner; cardboard containers from toothpaste, soap and other bath products; soda and beer boxes; boxes from presents; and all non food storage and delivery boxes. I am sure there are many that I have missed. If you know of others share those ideas with your neighbors.

Presently, cardboard must be cut up into newspaper size bundles for pick up. If you do not want to cut up large boxes and containers, they can be brought down to the Altamont Avenue recycling center which is open

on Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Village is presently reviewing the purchase of a new recycling truck which has a split hopper so that newspaper and cardboard can be picked up and compacted at the same time as commingled glass and cans. This will also allow greater flexibility in the size of cardboard that can be placed at the curb. We will keep you up to date as we make progress on the review of this truck and procedures for its use. In the meantime, remember that recycling is good for the environment, saves money and is required by law.

Sanitation Holiday Schedule

September, October and November 2011

Labor Day celebrated on Monday September 5
Monday/Thursday Pickup goes to Tuesday/Thursday
Tuesday/Friday Pick Up goes to Wednesday/Friday
No Recycling that week
Columbus Day is observed on Monday October 10
Normal Sanitation Schedule
No Change
There will be Recycling Pick Up on Wednesday

Veterans Day observed on Friday November 11
Normal Sanitation Schedule
No Change
There will be Recycling Pick Up on Wednesday
Thanksgiving Day observed on Thursday November 24
Monday/Thursday Pickup goes to Monday/Wednesday
Tuesday/Friday Pick Up stays on Tuesday/Friday
No Recycling that week

Phase I Village Hall Repairs Complete

by John A. Mirando

Village Administrator/Director of Public Works

The scaffolds are down signaling the completion of Phase I of the waterproofing work at Village Hall. After years of unsuccessful attempts to stop the water leaks at Village Hall a comprehensive plan was developed by the Architectural Firm of Kaitsen Woo Architect, P.C. to address the underlying causes of active leaks through the roofs and walls of Village Hall. These leaks have been causing damage to interior walls and ceilings in public spaces as well as office space.

Water was entering the building through numerous sources including mortar joints, weathered bricks, aging and deteriorated flashings and roof membranes, and slipped and missing roof slate. Kaitsen Woo recommended a three phase approach, Phase I being those items which needed immediate attention, Phase II covering work which should be done in three years and Phase III covering work to be completed in the next 10 years.

The work completed in Phase I was performed by the lowest responsible bidder Baschnagel Bros. Inc. who have been in the roofing and waterproofing business since 1901. Their work included repointing all brickwork above roofs, waterproofing of brick after repointing, replacing all flashings and membranes, removing the asphalt shingles on the two lower roofs running along the library and placing a seamless liquid roofing system manufactured by Kemper. On top of the seamless roof a solder seam copper roof was placed replicating the buildings original design. All coping stones were repointed and filled with metallic seams. To prevent issues with snow melt, cricket flashing was extended higher up along the bases of adjacent slate roofs. Kemper roofs were also placed on the three flat roofs in the vicinity of the library. Almost



1600 pieces of broken, missing and slipped slate were replaced.

This project was completed with the help of several grants including grants from the NYS Office of Parks and Historic Preservation, Nassau County Legislature and the New York State Library Construction Program. The Village is presently applying for a second round of grants so that Phase II of the project can be completed by the end of 2013.

Phase II will include repointing and waterproofing the Tower and Gable as well as the several coping stones on the tower. Also copper crickets and flashings not addressed in Phase I and copper drip edges on the library and transept roofs will be replaced. Included in this phase will be the separation of the boiler water and chiller water which is causing condensation on interior pipes of the building. In addition to sealing the remainder of the exterior masonry above grade, the buried foundation waterproofing will be addressed.

The completion of Phase I allows the Village to begin repairing the interior damage from past leaks. While the completed work carries a 10 year guarantee on labor and materials, each area of required interior restoration will be opened up, repaired with a base coat and allowed to sit and be monitored for a three month period to assure the elimination of any leaks or moisture. Once we are sure that each source is eliminated a final restoration of the area will be completed.

The Pumpkin Patch Rides Again!

by Sharon Conway

The Pumpkin Patch at the United Methodist Church of Sea Cliff will open for the 8th consecutive season on Saturday, October 1st. The Methodist Church, located at the corner of Carpenter and Downing Avenues, undertakes this project each year as a fundraiser to support the work of the church. The pumpkins are grown by the Navajo Nation in New Mexico and shipped across the country by tractor-trailer. Despite considerable losses due to three incidents of vandalism last fall, a tremendous outpouring of financial support from the local community helped this project maintain a highly successful outcome, and thus it will be continued.

Members of the church, the community, and a variety of organizations will be on hand to help unload the truck, which is scheduled to arrive on Wednesday September 28th at 4:00 p.m. All volunteers are wel-

come and greatly appreciated for this kick-off event. A casual dinner to express appreciation for their efforts will be provided for all volunteers -- once the truck is unloaded!

This year the Pumpkin Patch will operate from October 1st through the 31st, and will be open Sundays to Fridays, 12 noon to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. In addition to pumpkins, you may purchase other items such as gourds, straw, Indian corn and mums for your fall decor at the Pumpkin Patch. On weekends, the Patch will also feature baked goods, as well as its very popular pumpkin soup!

Nursery schools and kindergartens are once again invited to bring their classes. The children will hear stories about pumpkins, sing songs, pose for class pictures and play group games in the Patch. The study of Native Americans can also be incorporated into the trip.

Reservations for class outings are required. Please call the church office at 671-0392 Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to reserve a date. School groups are usually scheduled in the mornings when the Pumpkin Patch is closed to the public.

So visit the Pumpkin Patch right here in Sea Cliff this autumn and be sure to bring your camera. The Patch is always quite picturesque and provides a wonderful backdrop for your fall family photos!



Finn Blumer enjoying the Pumpkin Patch.

Photo by Sharon Conway

It's Happening In Sea Cliff

The Sea Cliff Circle, an electronic events calendar, is delivered bi-monthly to your computer. Keep abreast of holiday schedules, community events, library activities, school happenings and so much more. To subscribe to this free service, log on to www.seacliff-ny.gov and follow the link.

Local organizations may publicize events by emailing announcements to Sharon at seacliffcircle@gmail.com.

Leaf Collection Program

by John Mirando, Village Administrator/Director of Public Works

After the positive outcome of last year's Clear Bag Leaf Collection Program, the Village Board has decided to continue this program for the 2011 leaf season. This program made our streets cleaner and safer in addition to reducing the rising cost of leaf collection. The savings for leaf disposal for the 2010 leaf season amounted to \$23,000. This savings was the result of eliminating over 400 tons of leaves, which in prior years were illegally dumped in the road by landscapers bringing in leaves

from other communities or not properly disposing of the leaves. The public's cooperation in the implementation of this program last year was excellent and helped make it a success. As a reminder the details regarding the leaf program are as follows:

- Leaves are to be placed curbside in clear plastic bags for collection by the Village. They can no longer be blown or raked into the streets. Leaves in clear plastic bags can be placed curbside on either of your two garbage days (Monday & Thurs-

day or Tuesday & Friday). This policy is effective immediately.

- Please place only leaves in the clear plastic bags. If any household refuse, grass, or debris is visible inside, the bag will not be collected. This is important since contaminated leaves cannot be composted and add to the waste stream.

- There is no limit to the number of clear plastic bags you can place curbside between November 1 and December 23. For the remainder of the year, a maximum of four bags may be placed

curbside on your "rubbish" or "heavy" collection day.

- At any point throughout the year, leaves placed in black or white plastic bags will be treated as rubbish.

- The plastic bags will be separated from the leaves and recycled. Clear plastic bags are available at local supermarkets, large discount stores and local hardware stores. Please limit clear plastic bags to the 45-gallon size.

- Landscapers are required to remove leaves and dispose of

them at their cost.

- Failure to comply with these regulations will result in fines.

We look forward to everyone's continued cooperation with the program for the good of your neighbors and the Village. Landscapers are aware of these changes, but we need your help to ensure your landscaper's compliance.

If you have any questions regarding this new program or need to report violators, please call Village Hall, 671-0080.



Sea Cliff Museum volunteers at the garage sale (l-r) Kathleen DiResta, Bob Blackburn, June Locke and Carol Blackburn. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



Organizers and participants enjoy the Golf Tournament. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



Members of The Good of the Village (l-r) Sally Davies, Sylvia Wagner and Laura Kavanagh were enjoying the garage sale day. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



Gold Coast Lions Club members (l-r) Barbara Rotondo, Angeleta Dhandri-Donovan, Linda Schwab, Carol Ropke, and Stephanie Hunter march at the Memorial Day Parade. *Photo by Barbara Murray*



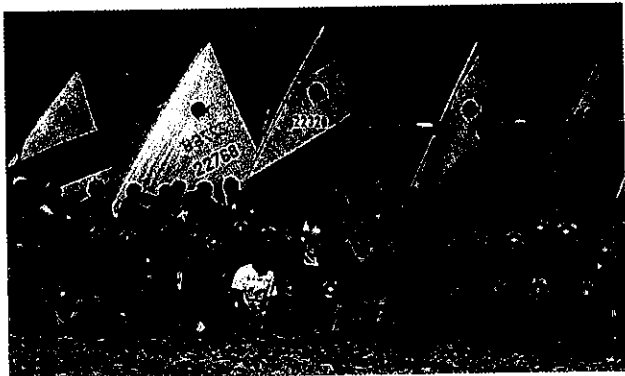
Bartenders enjoying their job at the Beach Palooza.. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



Gwynne and Mike Lennon sell vintage clothes on the Village Green to make money for the mural art project to be painted on the wall at Sea Cliff Beach. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



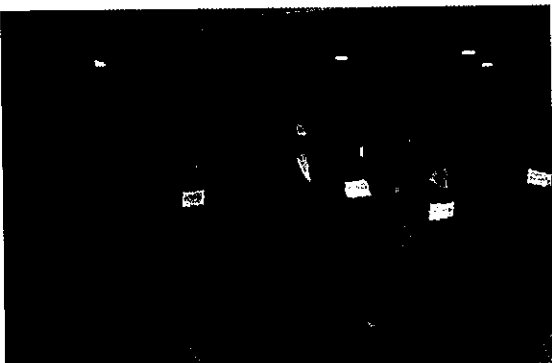
Village Justice John P. Reali congratulates Acting Village Justice, Sue Katz Richman on her installation as President of the Nassau County Bar Association. *Photo by Barbara Murray*



Sailing Club. *Photo by Kelly Otis*



Jessica Gioia serves her homemade cupcakes to attendees of the Mutual Concerns Lunch Program at Tappen Beach. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



Senior action members and friends at the annual senior picnic. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



St. Boniface committee members preparing the food for the Feast; (l-r) Mary Ellen Kerr, Eileen Krieb, Father Bob, Maryann Sujecki, Steve Kerr. *Photo by Carol Griffin*



Tom Boehm and Eddie Murray at our Memorial Day parade. *Photo by Rich Boehm*

Mutual Concerns

by Joyce Kaufmann

We are approaching our 35th anniversary serving senior citizens and people in need in the North Shore School District. I like to think we have made a difference in their lives because of our help. Beginning September 6th our lunch and social program will be up and running at St. Luke's on Tuesdays and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come on down for the best deal in town; for a small donation of \$2.00 have a fabulous lunch and enjoy the company of some wonderful people. Transportation is available by our Village bus if you need it. For further information about the program, please call

Janette Heurtley at 671-4696.

If you have two hours a month to spare, we can use volunteers in the kitchen on Tuesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call Cindy Young for further information at 674-3776.

Our food pantry is available year round for anyone in need of that service. All calls are confidential. Call Peggie Como at 759-9539 or Joyce Kaufmann at 676-9205.

Our tenth annual Holiday House Tour is scheduled for December 3rd. Hope you can join us for this fun event.

Bazaar at St. Luke's

by John Nagy

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 253 Glen Avenue in Sea Cliff, will be holding its annual Victorian Bazaar on Saturday, November 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Bazaar's renowned Country Kitchen will be offering fine homemade jams and jellies (some of which will be "spirited jellies" this year), herb infused oils, barbeque sauces, and fudge. Also featured will be a wheel of Vermont cheddar cheese custom cut for purchasers, and pies, cakes and cookies at the bake table.

Fine jewelry will be on sale, along with innovative jewelry made with fused dichroic glass (originally developed by NASA for a variety of scientific applications and now a popular

medium in art glass). There will be a crafts table and Christmas wreaths will be available as well.

The Unique Boutique and Thrift Shop will offer a wide variety of items at bargain prices, including ladies' sweaters, men's shirts, linens, laces and articles for the home.

A delicious hot lunch will be served, which will include some scrumptious desserts. All fresh foods are prepared on the premises. Enjoy a refreshing glass of apple cider made from a blend of New York State apples (and take a quart home to enjoy after the bazaar).

A raffle will again be held this year.

So come early and stay late – this is one fun event!

Museum Opening and Reception

by Sara Reres

The Sea Cliff Village Museum's opening on Sunday, September 18 at 2:00 p.m. will feature the new exhibit, "Then & Now...the Museum Time Machine". Spend an afternoon exploring the artifacts, costumes and photographs the museum brings out of its closets, attics and basement to depict life in the late 1800s, 1900s and 21st century. The Museum will present a new slide show and lecture to illustrate the vast changes our community has undergone in the past century or so.

Before there were emails... there were greeting cards and postcards. The museum's collection of beautiful and delicate century old greeting cards brings us back to a whimsical and creative time. The cards are beautifully illustrated, some of them reflecting historical events and social trends of their times.

Hats made with feathers, beaver top hats and long, dangerous looking hatpins tell the story of the endangerment of wildlife for fashions of the past. Buttonhooks, used to lace up boots and shoes slowly and methodically, contrast greatly with the Velcro fasteners we use today to zip on our shoes. The woolen, cumbersome, heavy-when-wet bathing suits, along with the long stockings and lace up swim shoes, made for a very different day at the beach than we enjoy today.

Try your hand at Morse code with our telegraph machine and spot the original intercom system at the Sea Cliff Hotel. Take a look at our Name That Thing-a-ma-jig case and see how many everyday items from the past you can identify.

Early radios, phonographs, typewriters, sewing machines, ice skates and rug cleaners chronicle life in the past cen-

turies. Our blacksmith's tools and vintage planes and saws are part of our collection, gleaned from residents who donated their handed down implements to the museum.

The streets of Sea Cliff are depicted now (2011) and then (early 1900s) in photographs that line the walls of the exhibit. Take a look at the changes, some evident and some barely noticeable. Every corner of the museum tells another story of the past and the differences we experience today. We hope you will join us on September 18 at Village Hall Room C for the lecture and light refreshments. Starting September 18, we will be open on Sundays from 2-5 p.m. We are located at 95 10th Avenue. Call 671-0090 for further information.

Methodist Church Fair Home for the Holidays

by Janet Meyer

The bakers are ready to pull out their pans and the crafters are already working, preparing for the annual Home for the Holidays Christmas Fair at Sea Cliff's Methodist Church.

Run by the Sea Cliff United Methodist Women, assisted by other church members, the doors open on Friday, Nov. 11, from 6:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. An always anticipated holiday dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. offering a choice of entrees this

year – roast beef or barbecued chicken. Reservations are required and will be limited to the first 100 people. Entrées will be selected when reservations are made. Tickets for the dinner are \$15 (\$5 for children under age 10). The fair will continue the next day from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. when the Holiday Café features a hot lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Items for sale this year include new designer handbags

and costume jewelry. Other stations will feature toys, new and nearly new items – some still in their boxes -- and a handicrafts table of quilts, scarves and other items that would make Mom proud. The baked-goods table will feature perennial favorites of cookies and cakes that sometimes don't make it all the way home. There will be a huge White Ele-

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EVE HAIM

March 8, 1952 – June 5, 2011

by Bob Haim

I remember just a few days after meeting Evie for the first time saying to my brother, Marc, that I met a special girl. She had that effect on people. When she took on a project she pursued it with great passion and she always had a project.

We lived in Lake Bluff, Illinois for three years in the early 90's and she was surprised that there was no hot lunch program in the elementary school. She started and ran the new school hot lunch program. She remembered that a few years earlier Carol Vogt had started a Chanukah get-together so the few Jewish families in Sea Cliff could get to know each other and Evie decided to do the same thing in Lake Bluff. We were told there were only six Jewish families in the town so she started inviting them all to our house, expecting a small group of maybe 15 people. Word spread quickly and then the newspapers heard about it and ran the story. Pretty soon the list grew until we had about 135 people show up, including several sailors from nearby Great Lakes Naval Station. After we moved back to New York others continued running the Chanukah Happening in Lake Bluff just like it continues in Sea Cliff.

Evie's love of children and

her amazing instincts led her to watch some of Sea Cliff's children. She would take on just about any child as long as the parents understood and accepted that their child might come back home in different clothes, might spend the day playing in the dirt and mud, would be going on long walks around town, possibly get bruised or scraped from an adventure but that when you got him or her back they would be fed, clean, and smiling. If your child was of school age, their homework would be finished. You had to be willing to accept that your child would learn to say "please" and "thank you," would learn how to behave in the bank and the post office, would meet the dedicated people in Village Hall, and would learn to play nicely with each other. Your children would be given the freedom to run on the sidewalk but would learn the limit of not stepping off the curb. If you were willing to accept all of this, she would take your children regardless of your financial ability.

She loved Sea Cliff's Central Park and when she felt the playground had become rotted and dangerous she set out on a campaign to replace it. It took nearly four years but by sheer determination and tenacity she

managed to raise nearly \$40,000 to buy a new playground and period water fountain for Central Park.

Evie loved Sea Cliff and did all she could to preserve its heritage. She thoroughly enjoyed researching the history of a house and could recite the names and occupations of the original owners of most of Sea



Evie Haim

Cliff's historic properties. In her home office she had books, maps, census data, and a host of other research material on Sea Cliff and she would doggedly dig into the history of every house that came before the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

She published an on-line newsletter called the *Sea Cliff Tattler*, informing people of Sea Cliff news, events of interest, and anything that she thought her readers might want to know about. If you needed a service or were offering one, she would put the word out. If you wanted to donate or sell old radiators, doors, windows, pianos, bicycles, she would find someone who wanted them. The *Tattler* had a circulation larger than both of our local newspapers and she continued to publish it even from her hospital room, right up to the day she went into the ICU and lost the use of her laptop.

Evie was the former President of the Sea Cliff School PTO, President of the Sea Cliff Landmarks Association, board member of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, member of the Sea Cliff Beautification Committee, Board member of the Civic Association. She made a video with Julia Brown about the historic

buildings in the downtown business district, wrote several walking tour pamphlets that are sold in the museum and she wrote 4 books on Sea Cliff and its historic buildings. She donated all the proceeds to the Sea Cliff museum and the Sea Cliff Landmarks Association.

The doctors and nurses at Memorial Sloan Kettering loved her also. The nurses would argue over who would take care of her. She always greeted each nurse by name with a smile when they entered her room. She laughed and joked with them even when she was on the ventilator and had no voice but could only mouth words. Dr. Louis Voigt, her ICU doctor, said that she was such a special person and overcame so much that she changed the way he would practice medicine. One of her transplant doctors, Dr. Eytan Stein, emailed: "As I was leaving her room on Friday, I was thinking how much she taught me, more than any other patient I've had, about being a compassionate doctor who always maintains hope."

She had that effect on people. She was my best friend for over 40 years and the finest person I have known.

phant table and a display of Christmas-related items.

Members of the church are also putting together a Promise Tree of services. Examples include babysitting, pet care or a therapeutic massage. The church Thrift Shop will be open Saturday, too.

Proceeds will help support

the church, projects such as the Interfaith Nutrition Network and the Brooklyn Methodist Home, which houses people of all faiths.

The United Methodist Church of Sea Cliff is at the corner of Carpenter and Downing Avenues. Call 671-0392 for information or reservations.

Autumn Happenings at the Library

by Camille Purcell, Assistant Director

The Sea Cliff Library is working to make the library your most favorite Village destination. Our roof repairs are behind us and we look forward to having our interior walls and ceiling spackled and painted. This past summer saw the library once again at the beach providing books, newspapers and our most popular children's story hour. Our fall lineup will include Tuesday afternoon at the movies, a wonderful selection of children's programming and an astrology workshop. Our museum pass program continues to be very popular. Look for these events and more in our newsletter and on our website.

For young adults, preparing for the SATs and ACTs is hard work. The library would like to make it a bit easier. We are offering a practice combo SAT/ACT test. Bring your pencils and a calculator to this event on Saturday, October 15 from 11-3 p.m. Get your scores feedback on October 24th at 7 p.m. These events are brought to you by Kaplan. Join us as we participate in Teen Read Week

October 16-22nd. This year's selections will feature graphic novels. Graphic novels are a great format for experiencing the classics. Browse our collection and check one out. Looking for some Halloween fun? Then join us on October 22nd at 1 p.m. for some Halloween origami art. Origami is the ancient art of paper folding.

The Friends of the Library is busy planning their table for the annual Mini-Mart. Why not consider joining them and helping them out? Want to try out an E-Reader before you buy one, then try ours? The Friends of the Library generously purchased a Color Nook Reader for the library. We have loaded it with the most popular titles and best-sellers. The device circulates for two weeks. Call the library or stop by to sign up. Our selection of ebooks is continually growing. Soon you will be able to download ebooks onto your Kindle. The library continues to explore new ways to help all our patrons enjoy the very best of technology, literature and information. Come in and see what we have for you!

Sustainable Cooperative

by Amy Peters

As members of the Sea Cliff and surrounding communities, you may have heard of the Sustainable Sea Cliff Cooperative.

Here is what we have been up to. Over the past two years, we have gone from a few like-minded individuals to a vibrant group, passionate about food and dedicated to bringing healthy, local and regionally produced food to the community at an affordable price. We have fostered meaningful relationships with farmers, producers and distributors so we know where our food comes from and how it is grown. We place strong emphasis on organic, fair trade and local/regional products.

We have had our share of ups and downs, working out various logistics and systems to operate our buying club/store. We currently have over 200 offerings in the co-op, including fresh, organic dairy and eggs, organic, pasture-raised meats and poultry, as well as many dry goods (grains, beans, cereal, nuts, etc.) We have undergone negotiations with the Aqua Water Company and have reached an agreement regarding use of the land on Prospect Avenue/Shore Rd. We hope to

be breaking ground there in the coming weeks for our cooperative/community garden. We have been hosting regular potluck dinners, featuring the delicious foods available at the co-op. We have educational movie nights on tap for the near future.

Membership in the cooperative is open to all and involves a one-time \$150 family membership fee (\$100 for individuals or \$75 for students/seniors). Members agree to work three hours every four weeks either at the co-op "store" or on various co-op operations. Members may also participate in one of the SSCC subcommittees (membership development, fundraising, food ordering/sourcing, farming and technology).

We hold monthly members' meetings on the THIRD Wednesday of every month at the Sea Cliff Village Hall at 7 p.m. Our next meeting is September 21.

If you are interested in what the SSCC is up to, please feel free to join us at a meeting! You can also check us out on the Web: www.seacliffcoop.org Or Like us on Facebook! Email us at: sustainableseacliffcooperative@gmail.com

Arts Council Update

by Margie Malone

The Arts Council kicks off fall with an exhibit of landscapes by Miranda Best. It will run for September and October, with the opening reception on Sunday, September 18 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 pm. Artwork by Jason Paradis is scheduled for November and December with the reception on Sunday, December 11. The community is invited to the openings.

Two events highlighted the Arts Council summer schedule: an Arts and Crafts Fair in Memorial (Sunset) Park on Sunday, July 17 and "The Beauty of Sea Cliff" art exhibit in the library. The exhibit, which ran

for July and August, had its opening reception on July 17. Under blue tents and sunny skies, 13 vendors sold handmade jewelry, paintings, photos and ceramics at the fair. A steady crowd also was treated to music by local "Music Together" teacher, Kris Rice. Special thanks to Donna Barrett for organizing another successful summer show. Anyone wishing to participate next year can contact Donna.

The library exhibit featured paintings, photos, glass and tile work by 26 local artists. They celebrated familiar scenes like the former Olives by the Sea,

Sea Cliff Beach, and the walk along Tappen Beach. Colorful sailboats and kayaks were captured in photographs. The exhibitors were Jane Cairns Irvine, Kathleen DiResta-Roth, James Foote, Timothy Schenk, Carol Griffin, Judy Martialay, Margie Malone, Polly Whitehorn, Pat Hadley, Patricia Kaegi Weiss, Priscilla Waltz, John Murello, Ennid Berger, Annette Zbodula, Nathalie Arias, and Mario Arias. As always, the summer exhibits every year are open to all Sea Cliff artists.

A Gift for Friends and Family and the Sea Cliff Library

by Carol Poll, President of Friends of the Sea Cliff Library

The Friends of the Sea Cliff Library have launched a new project to enable the community to share our love of reading, books and our beloved Sea Cliff library. Through a gift of \$25 or more, a bookplate honoring your special person or occasion will be placed in a book in either the Sea Cliff Adult Library or the Sea Cliff Children's Library.

The beautiful book plates were designed by Pam Levin, a key member of the Friends of the Sea Cliff Library, and her highly creative and distinguished artist husband, Arnie Levin. The bookplates include the Friends logo which depicts a young girl reading under a

tree. The artist who designed the original logo has given the Friends permission to use it on our publications. The artful bookplate application was designed by Librarian Denise Ambrosait. The bookplates and their gift application forms are available in the library.

The Friends are a non-profit group of people committed to supporting our beloved library. Friends projects have included the provision of library museum passes, the Nook E-Reader, the Digital Frame, and Poetry Night Anthology, refurbishing the Library foyer, and providing funds to sponsor special programs and enrich the library's collection. All projects

are done in close collaboration with the Library. Our monthly meetings are open and we welcome new members. We meet the last Thursday in the month at the Adult Library. For further information contact FriendsOfTheSeaCliffLibrary@gmail.com.



(l-r) Arlene Nevens, Arnie Levin and Denise Ambrosait
Photo by Carol Poll

SEA CLIFF LANDMARKS ASSOCIATION

by Leslie Guerici

2011 HOUSE TOUR

The 2011 SCLA House Tour was dedicated to Eve Haim, longtime president of the Landmarks Association, and passionate member of the Landmarks Commission.

The 23rd SCLA house tour featured the largest number of residences ever shown, with three apartments and nine houses of varying periods, styles, and personalities. We were thrilled to showcase three former hotels - The Glenada, The Sound View, and The Monterey - which recall Sea Cliff's heyday as a summer resort community. Co-chairs Leslie Guerici and Tina Marchese extend thanks to the homeowners, the tour committee, the Metropolitan Bistro, and the 130 Sea Cliff residents who volunteered on the day of the tour. It truly takes a village to run a house tour.

CENTRAL AVENUE WALKWAY

Identification, repair, and appropriate labeling of public walkways in Sea Cliff is one of the SCLA's 2011/2012 goals. When the house tour committee assembled the roster of houses for the 2011 tour, we realized that use of the Central Avenue steps and walkway, running from the Central Avenue at 8th Avenue down to Park Way, would be an integral part of the tour route.

The stairs lacked handrails

in many places and the asphalt portion of the walkway between 7th Avenue and Park Way was overgrown and in disrepair. The SCLA, along with a generous donation from the DelGaudio family, funded work on the stairs and walkway. This included installing railings made by Forest Iron Works of Locust Valley, removing the existing decrepit walkway, and then widening, installing, and landscaping a paving stone path. Giovanni Tobon, of Hard and Green Landscaping, stepped in at the last minute to complete the paving job in time for the tour. The Grapstein family hired a tree company to trim dead branches overhanging the walkway.

The SCLA Board will soon meet with Village personnel to redesign the first set of Central Avenue Steps at the top of 8th and Central Avenues and replace them with engraved pavers.

DO YOU OWN A PAINTING BY SEA CLIFF ARTIST EMMA EILERS

EILERS, Emma. 1871-1951, Oil on canvas of Girl in White, Reading a Book. If so, The SCLA would like to hear from you.

Emma Eilers great, great nephew will be visiting Sea Cliff in September to do research for a book he is writing about the Eilers family. He

would like to document and photograph as many paintings as possible during his trip here and talk to any residents who remember the Eilers.

The Sea Cliff Landmarks Association will host an exhibit (date to be determined) of any located artwork and provide an opportunity to meet David Eilers. If you own any artwork by Emma Eilers, please contact Leslie Guerici at lguerici@optonline.net.

Two Eilers brothers, Anton and Karl, owned estates in Sea Cliff - both with driveways off Littleworth Lane.

1888 VILLAGE MAP

A folded and linen mounted 4' x 5' paper map of Sea Cliff from 1888 sits on a shelf in Village Hall steadily deteriorating. Every time this fragile map is opened for reference, pieces fall off and make restoration more difficult. The SCLA would like to see this map stabilized on new fabric and copied so the original can be archived and the information made available to the public. Given the size and condition of the map, this is a very expensive proposition. Jonathan Sherman of Sherman Art Conservation is inspecting the map and preparing an estimate for the re-mounting and the Landmarks Board is looking into flat bed scanners large enough to

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damage the pipes, tank, or other septic system components. Keep roof drains, basement sump pump drains, and other rainwater or surface water drainage systems away from the drainfield. Flooding the drainfield with excessive water slows down or stops treatment processes and can cause plumbing fixtures to back up. You can divert your gutters to a rain barrel or rain garden. The Nassau County Soil and Water Conservation District (516) 364-5860 can help you design such a system.

Know the symptoms of failure: the most obvious septic system failures are easy to spot. Check for pooling water or muddy soil around your septic system or in your basement.

Notice whether your toilet or sink backs up when you flush or do laundry. You might also notice strips of bright green grass over the drainfield. Septic systems also fail when partially treated wastewater comes into contact with groundwater. This type of failure is not easy to detect, but it can result in the pollution of wells, nearby streams, or other bodies of water. Check with a septic system professional if you suspect such a failure.

Know the causes of failure: household toxics and cleaners can wreak havoc on the living organisms that are trying to digest your wastewater. Do you use the utility sink to clean

out paint rollers or flush toxic cleaners? Oil-based paints, solvents, and large volumes of toxic cleaners should not enter your septic system. Even latex paint cleanup waste should be minimized. Instead, squeeze all excess paint and stain from brushes and rollers on several layers of newspaper before rinsing. Leftover paints and wood stains should be taken to your local S.T.O.P. (Stop Throwing Out Pollutants) Program. Sea Cliff residents can take part in any of the Town of Oyster Bay's S.T.O.P. Programs (not just the one held each July on Altamont Avenue).

For the most part, your septic system's bacteria should recover quickly after small amounts of household cleaning products have entered the system. Of course, some cleaning products are less toxic to your system than others. Labels can help key you into the potential toxicity of various products. The word "Danger" or "Poison" on a label indicates that the product is highly hazardous. "Warning" tells you the product is moderately hazardous. "Caution" means the product is slightly hazardous. ("Nontoxic" and "Septic Safe" are terms created by advertisers to sell products.) Regardless of the type of product, use it only in the amounts shown on the label instructions and minimize the amount discharged into your

septic system.

Hot tubs are a great way to relax. Unfortunately, your septic system was not designed to handle large quantities of water from your hot tub. Emptying hot tub water into your septic system stirs the solids in the tank and pushes them out into the drainfield, causing it to clog and fail. Draining your hot tub into a septic system or over the drainfield can overload the system. Instead, drain cooled hot tub water onto turf or landscaped areas well away from the septic tank and drainfield, and in accordance with local regulations. Use the same caution when draining your swimming pool.

Make friends: hopefully by now you have decided to make friends with your cesspool.

Since we're talking friends, I'd like to suggest that you become "friends" with the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee (HHPC) by "liking us" on our Facebook page. By doing so, you will be kept up to date on all the issues and activities of the HHPC.

Where to go for more information: there are plenty of sources for more information, including the U.S. EPA (www.epa.gov) which provided much of the information used in this article. Useful links can be found on the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee (HHPC) website (www.HempsteadHarbor.org).

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Welcomes Rev. Dr. David R. MacDonald

by Janette Heurtley

The Vestry of St. Luke's is pleased to announce that on June 14 it elected the Rev. Dr. David R. MacDonald as the 12th Rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The election of Fr. MacDonald was approved by Bishop Provenzano. Fr. MacDonald's formal installation ceremony will be at St. Luke's on November 5, 2011.

Fr. MacDonald, who prefers to be called Fr. David or David comes to us from the historic Christ Church, Old Durham Parish in Nanjemoy, MD where he has been Rector since 2004. Ordained in 1988, Fr. David served as priest in several

parishes in various parts of the United States, the Virgin Islands, and was a United States Army Chaplain. In addition to a divinity degree, Fr. David holds degrees in history, the study of religions, and philosophy. He is the author of numerous articles and two books: *E. C. Crosse and The Devonshire Epitaph*, the story of a British Army chaplain, and *Transit of the Anglican Mind to the Maryland Colony*.

Fr. David has extensive experience in every aspect of the Episcopal Church including liturgy, music, Christian education (for all ages), pastoral care,

fundraising, and parish administration. The leadership he provided shows in the dramatic growth of his parish in Maryland. Fr. David's wife, Betty is a physical education teacher specializing in individuals with disabilities. The MacDonald's have five adult children.

David and Betty MacDonald have moved into the rectory of St. Luke's and they are busily unpacking and becoming acclimated to their new surroundings. Father David's first officiating service was at the 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist on August 7th.

Code Enforcement News

by Margie Malone

This summer saw upgrades in Code Enforcement. Enforcement increased hours during the summer season, and Friday nights through Sunday, a private security company patrolled the beach. The upgrades were in response to reported disturbances.

While many have seen the red trucks emblazoned with "Code Enforcement" on the side, not everyone knows their purpose. The Village employs five part-time enforcement officers. They are on duty a total of 115 hours per week, or 65% of the time. Their responsibilities are to enforce Village codes and parking regulations, and to patrol the Village, checking on problem areas or areas where public disturbances might take place. According to Village Administrator John

Mirando, "They are the eyes of the Village."

Code Enforcement Officers are not Police Officers and do not have Peace Officer status. They have no ability to make an arrest, nor can they get into a physical altercation. They will, however, contact the police when there is illegal activity taking place.

The Village initiated an important new system for the public to report a disturbance that may not require police involvement. This system is available during the hours Village Hall is closed. The system works as follows:

- If there is a disturbance that is impacting a resident, he or she can call Village Hall at 671-0080
- The message on the phone

will ask if this is a disturbance and if so direct the resident to press 5.

- The resident will be put through to the Village answering service.

- This service will text the information to the Code Enforcement Officer, if one is on duty at that time.

- The Code Enforcement Officer will respond.

Residents need to understand that if there is a real emergency or imminent danger then 911 should be called immediately. Also the system will fail if residents begin to use it for non-disturbance type calls.

The enforcement officers are Jack Guy, David Craft, Tillman Brown, Ted Kolakowski, and Carl Rumatowski. Carl is also the building/plumbing inspector.

Sea Cliff Children's Library Fall 2011

by Ann DiPietro, Children's Library Coordinator

**Tuesdays 10-5 / Wednesdays 10-5/ Thursdays 10-7
Fridays 10-5/ Saturdays 10-2**

Wednesday 10:30 Story Time for 3 year-olds and up
1:00 Story Time for 3 year-olds and up
3:00 Pizza and Paperbacks- First Graders

Thursday 8:15 a.m. Bagels and Books-discussion group for adults September 8, October 6, and Nov. 10
10:30 Babies and ... informal program for infants and toddlers
3:00 Tacos & Tales--2nd and 3rd graders Sept. 15, Oct. 6 & 20, Nov. 3 & 17
Novels & Nachos- 4th and 5th graders Sept. 22, Oct. 13, and Nov. 10
4:00 Pizza & Paperbacks: Kindergartners and First Graders
6:00 Twilight Story Hour-stories, refreshments, and gifts
Sept. 8, Oct. 6, and Nov. 10 --pajamas optional!

Friday 10:30 Story Time for 4 and 5 year-olds
1:00 Babies and....an informal program for infants and toddlers
3:00 Pizza and Picturebooks- Kindergartners
42nd Annual Mini Mart- Sunday, Oct. 2
Please drop off your gently used toys, DVDs, and books all day Saturday, Oct. 1
Please, no earlier--we have no place to store them.
Halloween Party and Parade--Friday, October 28 at 1 p.m. on the front lawn
No programs on October 19

Call 671-0420 or email scchildrenslibrary@gmail.com if you have questions about any of these programs or to register.
Registration with a Sea Cliff Library card is necessary for all our programs.

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make copies of the entire map. We are soliciting donations to restore this important historic document. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact Leslie Guerci at lguerci@optonline.net for more information.

TRIBUTE TO EVE HAIM

The SCLA Board will recognize Eve Haim by placing a circular engraved stone around

the base of the water fountain in the Central Park playground. Allowing the smallest Sea Cliff residents to drink without being lifted by a parent is a fitting tribute to Eve. Her love of children and Central Park was the impetus for determined fundraising to purchase new playground equipment in the park for another generation of Sea Cliff children.

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